

2005 Experience Rural

New Hampshire



*Where to find unique events, learning opportunities and places of interest featuring
New Hampshire's rural heritage, agriculture and forestry.*

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Visit an historic farm, take the family to a harvest season festival, roam gardens in full bloom, shop a bountiful farmers' market, sample maple sugar on snow, get caught up in the excitement of a country fair...

We invite you to experience rural New Hampshire!

New Hampshire's rural heritage, steeped in history and tradition, forms the foundation of our state's character. Hard working innovative Yankees laid that foundation. Experience the history and meet many of today's rural entrepreneurs.



2005 Agricultural Fairs

North Haverhill Fair: July 27-31. Fred C. Lee Memorial Field, North Haverhill. 787-6696. www.nohaverhillfair.com.

Stratham Fair: July 28-31. Stratham Hill Park, Route 33, Stratham. 772-2990. www.strathamfair.com.

Cheshire Fair: August 2-7. Route 12, North Swanzy. 357-4740. www.cheshirefair.com.

Belknap County Fair: August 12-14. Mile Hill Road, Belmont. 524-1422. www.bc4hfair.com.

Cornish Fair: August 19-21. Townhouse Road, Cornish. 675-5603. www.cornishfair.com

Lancaster Fair: August 31-September 5. Route U.S. 3, Lancaster. 636-1813. www.lancasterfair.com.

Hopkinton State Fair: September 1-5. Hopkinton Fair Grounds, Contoocook. 746-4191. www.hsfair.com.

Hillsborough County Ag Fair: September 9-11. 4-H Youth Center, New Boston. 588-6106. www.nhfairs.com/hillsboro.

Rochester Fair: September 16-25. Lafayette Street, Rochester. 332-6585. www.rochesterfair.com.

Deerfield Fair: September 29-October 2. Route 43, Deerfield. 463-7421. www.deerfieldfair.org.

Sandwich Fair: October 8-10. Center Sandwich. 284-7062. www.sandwichfair.com.

Web Site for Fairs: www.nhfairs.com



About Town

Rindge Congregational Church Events: Rindge. 899-6823, trudiek@gis.net.

Country Fair & Flea Market: July 23, 8am-2pm. 899-6823.

Harvest Fair: October 8, 9am-2:30pm. 899-5235.

Turkey Dinner: October 22, 6pm. Adults/\$10; children/\$5. Reservations recommended. 899-6823.

Snowflake Fair: November 26, 9am-2pm. 899-6823.

Boscawen Old Home Day: Community Park. August 27, 11am-9pm. Parade, 11am on Main St. Food, music, entertainment, activities for the children, booths and demonstrations, historical society ice cream festival, art contest exhibit, bingo, chicken barbeque from 4-6pm. Evening entertainment 6-9pm. 796-7011.

Francestown Labor Day Celebration: Town Common. September 5. Road Race begins at 8am; other activities begin at 10am. Local artist craft show, country kitchen, vendors, viewing of historical rooms, parade at 2pm, fireman's dinner, live entertainment, children's games and car show. 547-8378, hollybstanley@earthlink.net.

Danbury Grange & Community Fair: North Road, Danbury. September 10. Pancake breakfast at the school, 7-10am. Parade at 11am. Food, exhibits, baby show, horse shoes, vegetable exhibit, flower exhibit, tractor pull, baked bean and ham supper, 5-7pm, evening music, auction and raffle. Free admission, except for the supper. Rain or shine, 768-3666.

Annual Book Sale: Town Hall, Plainfield. September 17-18, 9am-4pm. Approximately 7,000 donated books, low prices, bag sale on Sunday 2-4pm. 675-6866, plfdlib@cyberportal.net

October Fling: Town Hall & Horse Sheds, Francestown. October 8, 10am-3pm. Auction, silent auction, White Elephant, assortment of vendors, lunch, hay rides and fun for the whole family! 547-6834.

Country Christmas Fair: Sullivan Church, Centre Street, Sullivan. November 12, 10am-3pm. Local arts and crafts, berry bowls, hand crocheted and knitted items, baked goods, used book sale. Luncheon served. 847-3240, spl@webryders.com.

18th Annual Holiday Open House: Downtown Exeter. December 1, 5-8pm. Bring the family, shops are all open late. Santa arrives in town and chats with each and every child, hayride, Christmas music and more! Santa magically turns on the holiday lights. A wonderful way to kick off the holiday season! 772-2411, www.exeterarea.org, events@exeterarea.org

Hometown Holiday Parade: Downtown Plymouth. December 3, 5pm. Parade features bands, floats, trucks, animals and kids all decked out for the holiday season, Santa arrives via a fire truck at the end of the parade. Following parade youngsters and parents are invited to visit with Santa and enjoy some hot cocoa at the Plymouth Regional Senior Center. 536-1001, info@plymouthnh.org, www.plymouthnh.org.



Art & Crafts

White Barn Studio & Gallery: Route 25, Piermont Village. May-December, 10am-5pm. Shows of regional artists, sculptures, paintings, quilts and other works are available, in season there are gardens, a waterfall and llamas to enjoy. 272-4843.

Art in the Barn: Denley's Barn, Route 153, Sanbornville. July 30, 4-7:30pm. Several area artists displaying many mediums, free wine and hors d'oeuvres, raffle of works representing those present. Admission \$10 per person. 522-3401, gafney@worldpath.net, www.gafneylibrary.com.

Artists in the Park: Downtown Wolfeboro. August 17, 10am-5pm. Fine arts, original quality crafts, held in a pocket park on the waterfront, juried, selected group of exhibitors chosen, three mini matinees for children and the young at heart, demonstrations and sales. Rain or shine. 569-4994.

21st Annual Plymouth Fall Art Show: Plymouth Town Common. October 1, 9am-4pm. Outdoor event with over 30 artists from around New England show and sell their works of art. Special youth division for local students in grades 1-12. 536-1001, info@plymouthnh.org, www.plymouthnh.org.

6th Annual Art Exhibition: Murray Hall, Marlow. October 1, 3-5pm; October 2, 9am-4pm. Over 20 local artists exhibit their works of art in all mediums during the Local Harvest Festival. Opening reception on Saturday. 446-6201, marlowhs@earthlink.net.

Maxfield Parrish Vintage Print & Collectible Sale: Plainfield Town Hall, Route 12A. October 8-9, 10am-5pm. Sale of vintage prints and other merchandise by artist Maxfield Parrish. Stage set designed by Parrish in 1916 on display and lighted. Admission \$1. 675-5494, plfdlib@cyberportal.net.

NH Crafters Fair: The Rocks Estate, Bethlehem. November 25-27, December 3-4, 10-11. A holiday fair with a variety of crafts, New Hampshire Christmas trees and wreaths for sale. 444-6228, info@therocks.org, www.therocks.org.



Forests, Trails & Woodsmen's Events

8th Annual Lake Umbagog Wildlife Festival: Errol. August 13, 8am-4pm. A celebration of the abundance and diversity of wildlife, wildlife habitat and wildlife-oriented recreation in the area. Events include: pontoon rides, bird walks, canoe tours, barbeque, wildlife presentations, vendors selling wildlife arts and crafts. NH Fish & Game offers fishing exhibits and an amateur wildlife photo contest will be on display. Call for space rental information. 482-3415, FW5RW_LUNWR@fws.gov, www.lakeumbagog.fws.gov.



Gardens

Organic Farm & Education Homestead Series: D Acres of New Hampshire, 218 Streeter Woods Road, Dorchester. 786-2366, dacres@cyberportal.net, www.dacres.org.

Plant Walk: July 24, August 20, 2-4pm. Free admission.

Herbal Home Health: July 30, 10am-3pm. Admission \$25.

Mushroom ID Walk: August 7, 1-5pm. Admission \$30.

Home Gardening: Coldframe Design & No-till Bed Preparation: September 3, 2-4pm. Admission \$20.

Seedsaving: September 17, 1-4pm. Admission \$15.

Canterbury Shaker Village Events: 288 Shaker Road, Canterbury. Call for admission fees. 783-9511, info@shakers.org, <http://www.shakers.org>.

Mother Ann Day: August 7.

Wool Day: September 24

Harvest Days: October 1-2.

Open Gardens at the Woodlands: 10 Monadnock Road, Harrisville. July 15-August 21, 10am-4pm. Located in a lovely country setting, a national display garden for the American Hemerocallis Society, over 700 varieties of daylilies and 170 varieties of hosta. There are perennial and vegetable gardens to see, as well as animals. Master Gardeners will be available to answer gardening questions.

Free admission. 827-9814, thewoodlands@cheshire.net.

Davis Brook Farm Garden Events: 106 Bonds Corner Road, Hancock. Call for registration and admission fees. 525-4728, daylilies@davisbrookfarm.mv.com, www.davisbrookfarm.com.

10th Annual Daylily Extravaganza: July 23-24, 9am-3pm.

Create a Daylily Floral Arrangement: August 5-6, 10am.

Sandwich Range Garden Tour: The Community School, South Tamworth. July 23, 9am-4pm. Self guided tour of homes open to show off their favorite flowers and garden designs, then back to the school for a guest speaker at 3pm. Call for tickets. 323-7000, bearcamp@ncia.net.

14th Annual Open House: Uncanoonuc Mt. Perennials, 452 Mountain Road, Goffstown. July 23-24, 9am-5pm. Extensive daylily collection in peak bloom, 2 1/2 acres of display gardens and stock beds to wander through. Over 800 varieties of perennials, roses, vines, choice shrubs, grasses, herbs and berry bushes available. Free lemonade and cookies. Drawings each day for gift cards and t-shirts. 497-3975.

Fall Into Spring-7th Annual Labor Day Weekend Gardening Event: Uncanoonuc Mt. Perennials, 452 Mountain Road, Goffstown. September 3-5, 9am-5pm. Educational focus on fall garden chores, demonstrations at 10am, 12pm and 2pm each day. Free refreshments, special prices on fall bloomers. 497-3975.



Hay & Sleigh Rides

Punch Brook Farm: 77 North Road, Franklin. 934-2738, www.PunchbrookFarm.com.

Horse Drawn Pumpkin Rides: October, every Saturday & Sunday, 11am-3:30pm. Enjoy a horse drawn wagon ride through the fall foliage and pick a pumpkin in the patch. Bring a picnic basket and relax by the campfire. Admission: \$8/person with large pumpkin; school group discounts during the week.

Horse Drawn Wagon Rides: October-December, day or evening by reservation. Crisp air, private campfires and popcorn. Couples, families and groups enjoy a horse drawn wagon ride through the woods. Visit the animals in the barnyard.

Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides: December 2005-March 2006, day or evening by reservation. Couples, families and groups can enjoy a one-horse sleigh or a team sleigh ride. Travel through time on a ride through open fields, wooded trails and along picturesque Punch Brook. Warm up at your private campfire, bring a picnic basket and we'll be back to pick you up for another ride. Baby lambs are being born in February and March, you'll want to hold one!

Horse Drawn Valentine Sleigh Ride: February 14, 2006, day or evening reservations. Surprise your Valentine and hop on the "Sweetheart Express" where we will drop you off at a romantic campfire area. Bring a beverage of your choice and enjoy the warmth of the fire before making your return trip. A memory that will last forever.

Demeritt Hill Farm Events: 66 Lee Road, Lee. 868-2111, www.demeritthillfarm.com

Apple & Pumpkin Picking: September-October. Take a mule drawn hay ride to pick apples or select a pumpkin from the Pumpkin Patch. Call for dates and times.

Enchanted Halloween Hayride: October 15-30, weekends. Haunted hayride with story characters, both on the wagon ride and in the orchard. This hayride is geared for children ages 2-10 years. Children receive candy and treat bag to carry their goodies home. Visit the farm animals, take a pony ride, bakery open and great photo opportunities.

Select Your Christmas Tree: December, weekends. Ride with Santa to select your Christmas tree, enjoy a story with Mrs. Claus, family photo opportunities, refreshments, wreath and apple ornaments.

Haunted Hay Rides: Thyme & Ewe Farm, Claremont. October 14-16, 21-23, 28-30, 6:30pm, 7pm, 7:30pm & 8pm. Hay rides include various ghosts, goblins and a stop along the way to visit our resident witch. Have some donuts and Spider Cider. Admission \$3/person. 542-1746, poissonsheep1@aol.com.

Charmingfare Farm Hay/Sleigh Rides: Route 27, Candia. Call for reservations & admission fees. 483-5623, www.visitthefarm.com.

Halloween Horse Drawn Hayride: October 14-15, 21-22, 28-29. Reservations required. Admission \$15/person.

Children's Trick or Treat Hayride: October 21-22, 28-29, 11am-3pm. Last wagon ride departs at 2pm. Admission \$12/person; under 1 free.

Traditional Hay & Sleigh Rides: Fall-Winter. Reservations required. Admission \$175/private vehicle, permits up to 20 guests per wagon or sleigh. General admission \$14/person.

Single Horse Drawn Sleigh: January-March 2006. Reservations required. Admission \$100/hour allows for four passengers.



Livestock

Farm Animals: Schroeder Farm, 126 Sutton Rd., South Newbury. Summertime. General viewing of farm animals, pigs, piglets, cows, calves, sheep, turkeys and chickens. Families welcome. 938-5911.

Charmingfare Farm: Route 27, Candia. Call for information and admission fees. 483-5623, www.visitthefarm.com.

It's A Zoo: May 1-Columbus Day, 10am-4pm. Weather permitting. Animal petting area, wildlife exhibits, horse drawn hayride.

Wentworth Hunt Series: Branch Hill Farm, Applebee Road, Milton Mills. 749-0452, redhorsehillpottery@comcast.net, <http://www.wentworthhunt.org>.

Wentworth Hunt Club Season Opens: August 17. Contact Cheryl Bucklin Niles at 749-0452
Moose Mountains' Regional Greenways (MMRG): August 27. Contact Cheryl Bucklin Niles at 749-0452.

Organic Farm & Education Homestead Series: D Acres of New Hampshire, 218 Streeter Woods Road, Dorchester. 786-2366, dacres@cyberportal.net, www.dacres.org.

Oxen!: October 15, 2-4pm. Get to know “the boys” at this informative workshop on housing, exercising, working, feeding and training a pair of oxen to work around the farm or woodlot. Admission \$15.



Museums & Historic Sites; Farm & Special Events

The Fells/John Hay National Wildlife Refuge: Route 103A, Newbury. Historic gardens, including Rock Garden, Rose Terrace, “secret” Old Garden, perennial border and trails open daily. Historic house tours. Registration requested for most programs. Call 763-4789 for admission and registration details or go to www.thefells.org.

Gardening with Shrubs: July 26, 4-5:30pm.

Lake Sunapee Cruise: July 27, 4:30-6:30pm.

Guided Mushroom Hike: August 4, 4-5:30pm.

Writing on the Water: August 8-9, 9am-8pm, Monday; 9am-5pm, Tuesday.

A Time Before New Hampshire with Michael Caduto: August 10, 12:30-1:30pm.

Decorating with Nature Guided Hike: August 11, 4-5:30pm.

Plants That Die Well: August 13, 1:30-2:30pm.

Identification & Control of Invasive Plants: August 18, 3-5:30pm

14th Annual Plant Sale: August 20, 9am-12pm.

Trailwalk: Reading & Writing Nature Poetry: August 25, 4-5:30pm.

All Mixed Up-Naturally: August 26, 5-8pm.

Group Mushroom Foray: August 28, 10am-12pm.

Holiday House Tour: December 10.

The Sheridan House: The Winchester Historical Society Museum: 391 Back Ashuelot Road, Ashuelot. Open May-October, 9am-12pm, Wednesday; 2-4pm, Sunday. The museum is housed in a Victorian cottage, built by Charles Norton in 1870. Many unusual architectural features both inside and out make it an interesting place to visit. Eight rooms have been restored including a reference room which houses genealogical information as well as articles on local history. Winchester memorabilia is on display throughout all rooms. 239-4211, dbd@cheshire.net, <http://userpages.cheshire.net/~dbd/index.htm>.

Sanbornton Historical Society Events: Lane Tavern, Route 132, Sanbornton Village Square. The Sanbornton Historical Society has its headquarters in the Lane Tavern, a 19th century drovers inn and stagecoach stop in Sanbornton Square on Rt. 132, the old Boston to Montreal road. The Society holds its meetings at the Tavern on the first Wednesday of the month from April through October at 7:30pm, followed by programs that are open to the public free of charge. 286-4526, sfm@shakerwoodsfarm.com, www.sanbornton.org/ORGS/shs/.

The 2005 programs include:

Farmers' Market: June 24-September 30, Fridays, 3-6pm.

Open House Tavern Tours August 5 & September 2, 3-6pm.

Tales from a Modern Itinerant Artist & Native Son: August 3.

Old Home Day: August 5-7.

Heritage Harvest Supper & Open House: August 20, 6pm.

117 Summers on Winnisquam: September 7.

Annual Meeting & Supper: October 5, 6:30pm.

Christmas Greens & Crafts Sale: December 3, 9am-3pm.

NH Farm Museum: Route 125, 1305 White Mountain Highway, Milton. 10am-4pm. Call 652-7840, for admission, www.farmmuseum.org.

Old Time Farm Days: August 13-14, 10am-4pm.

Apple Day: September 24, 10am-4pm.

Farm Harvest Festival: October 15, 10am-4pm.

Christmas at the Jones Farm: December 10 & 17, 12-4pm.

Bretzfelder Park Summer Series: Prospect Street, Bethlehem. August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Wednesdays, 7pm. Presentation and slide shows on natural history and wildlife. Free admission. Rain or shine, 444-6228, info@therocks.org, www.therocks.org.



Seasonal Festivals

Gould Hill Orchards Apple Harvest Days: Gould Hill Orchards, 656 Gould Hill Road, Contoocook. Early August-Thanksgiving, open daily. Pick your own apples, many varieties available. The orchard store has 85 varieties of apples and 13 peach varieties in season. View antique tractors and museum displays, nostalgic barn and Orchard Store on family farm. Visit The Little Nature Museum, open by appointment, featuring hands on and interactive collections including fossils, rocks, shells, Indian artifacts, observation bee hive, marked nature trails and educational programs. Tours available. 746-3811, gouldhill@aol.com, www.gouldhill.com.

Schnitzelfest/Octoberfest: Central Street, Downtown Hillsborough. September 24, 12-5pm. Authentic German food, music, various crafters, vendors and activities all day. 464-5858, hcofc@conknet.com, www.hillsboroughnhchamber.com.

Apple Harvest Day: Downtown Dover. October 1, 9am-4pm. All day family events featuring artists and handcrafters from throughout New England, great food, wonderful entertainment, children's games and activities, apple pie baking contest and much more! 742-2218, info@dovernh.org, www.dovernh.org.

Harvest Festival: The Community School, South Tamworth. October 1, 10am-2pm. Live music, fresh baked apple and pumpkin pies and other goodies. Seasonal certified organic vegetables and cranberries, face painting for the kids and fresh pressed cider. Free admission. 323-7000, bearcamp@ncia.net.

Charmingfare Farm Pumpkin Festival: Route 27, Candia. October 1-2, 8-10, 10am-4pm. It's Pumpkin Pickin' time! Fall is the best time of year to visit our farm with your family and friends. Friendly scarecrows will help your children pick a perfect pumpkin from our "Great Pumpkin Patch." Activities include, music, live entertainment, hay maze, petting zoo, games and a horse drawn hayride. Call for reservations & admission fees. 483-5623, www.visitthefarm.com.

Harvest Festival & Apple Pie Sale: Marlow. October 2, 8am-3pm. Silent auction, crafts, art festival, entertainment and apple pie sale. 446.7044.

22nd Annual Harvest Festival: Meadow Ledge Farm, 612 Route 129, Loudon. October 8-10, 9am-6pm. Apple picking, weekend tractor rides, live entertainment, apple bobbing, kids games, homemade cider donuts, pumpkins, gift shop, pies, picnic tables. Free admission. Rain or shine, 798-5860, nhapples@aol.com.

Halloween Hoe Down: Apple Hill Farm, 580 Mountain Road, Concord. Late October, 11am-2pm. Outside activities, games, hayride, apple picking and much more. 224-8862, applehill@fcgnetworks.net, www.applehillfarmnh.com.

Haunted Halloween Walk: Huntoon Farm, 46 Huntoon Road, Danbury. October 22, 28, 29, dark-8pm. Come and enjoy a walk through our eerie woods with surprises lurking along the way. Bring the younger crowd before 7pm. Admission charge includes refreshments. 768-5579, pdsprague@nhvt.net, www.huntoonfarm.com

Charmingfare Farm Lighted Winter Wonderland: Route 27, Candia. December 2-4, 9-11, 16-18, 22-24. Thousands of lights illuminate our seasonally decorated trail. Laugh and carol while passing by our festive holiday scenes on your horse drawn ride. Children will be filled with amazement as they meet their fabled friends, such as Frosty, Grinch and Christmas Bear. A visit with Santa Claus, his live reindeer, and hearty ho-ho-ho will make everyone tingle with delight. Call for reservations & admission fees. 483-5623, www.visitthefarm.com.

Charmingfare Farm's Santa is Having a Big Party!: Route 27, Candia. December 10-11, 17-18, 11-3pm. You are invited to join Santa and the whole gang for a big party. A horse drawn ride will take you to the party location. Many familiar fabled Christmas characters will be at the party, Elves, Frosty, Kris the Christmas Bear, even the Grinch is coming because Mrs. Claus is serving her famous sugar cookies with hot cocoa! Even Dasher the live reindeer will be there so be sure to bring your camera. Call for reservations & admission fees. 483-5623, www.visitthefarm.com.

7th Annual Festival of Trees & Silent Auction: Front Street, Exeter. December 1, 2-8pm. Stroll through the Town Hall and view over 40 decorated Christmas trees by a variety of different groups in the Exeter area. Bid on a tree to take home. 772-2411, events@exeterarea.org, www.exeterarea.org.



Song, Dance & Theater

Francestown Contra Dance: Francestown Town Hall. Second Saturday of every month, 8-11pm. A traditional New England Contra Dance that has been taking place in the Francestown Town Hall since it was built in 1847, making this event one of the oldest contra dances in the US. Live traditional music and calling. All dances are taught and all levels of dancers, from beginners to experienced, are welcome. A fun event for families, singles, couples or groups. Admission \$6/person. Year round, rain or shine. 487-2480, NHdancecaller@aol.com.

Concerts on the Common: Plymouth Town Common. July 6-August 31, Wednesdays, 7pm. The event series kicks off with the 39th Army Band. Concerts will be held on successive Wednesday evenings each week throughout the summer. 536-1001, info@plymouthnh.org, www.plymouthnh.org.

Pemi Valley Bluegrass Festival: Branch Brook Campground, Campton. August 5-7, Friday, 1-10pm; Saturday, 9am-11pm; Sunday, 9am-6pm. Bluegrass and old time country acoustic music, family activities, workshops for all ages, vendors, church breakfasts and suppers. Free camping with three day ticket. Swimming, fishing, tubing. 726-3471, russue@pemivalleybluegrass.com, www.pemivalleybluegrass.com.

Great Waters Music Festival: Wolfeboro. Variety of entertainment and artists will be showing off their talents. All shows begin at 8pm. 569-7710, info@greatwaters.org, www.greatwaters.org.

4th Annual Folk Festival: July 29-31.

Jazz Fest with Dizzy Gillespie Alumni: August 27.



Unusual & Special Events

Tour of the 1906 Round Barn of Piermont: 425 Route 10, Piermont. By appointment. Tour the last remaining round barn in New Hampshire. Reservations are required. 272-9026/5854.

The Foolish Frog Gift Shop & Museum: 302 U.S. Route 3, Stratford Hollow. April-October, by chance. This a special find right in the middle of the Great North Woods. We are a gift shop plus museum. A collection of frogs from all over the world, gathered over 40 years. Just the place for a rainy day visit, don't miss our handcrafted collection, to add that special one of a kind to your collection. 636-9843.

Organic Farm & Education Homestead Series: D Acres of New Hampshire, 218 Streeter Woods Road, Dorchester. 786-2366, dacres@cyberportal.net, www.dacres.org.

Earthern Building: August 27, September 10, 9am-3pm. Admission fee \$50.

Brewing with Your Neighbor: September 9, 16, 30, 7-10pm. Admission fee is \$5 per session.

Canning & Pickling: September 11, 2-4pm. Admission fee \$15.

Blacksmithing: October 1, 1-4pm. Free admission.

Treehouse Building: October 8, 1-4pm. Admission \$20.

Breadmaking: October 23, 1-4pm. Admission \$15.

Maxfield Parrish Stage Set Viewings: Plainfield Town Hall, Route 12A. June 26-August 28, Sundays, 1-5pm. Viewing of the stage set designed in 1916 by the artist Maxfield Parrish. Exhibits and video of his life will be shown. Come to the gift shop. Admission \$1. 675-6866/5494, plfdlib@cyberportal.net.

NH Ag Day at Bonnie Brae Farms: Bonnie Brae Farms, 601 Daniel Webster Highway, Plymouth. August 21, 10am-4pm. Join the farm as they celebrate their 10th anniversary. With a herd of over 300 Red Deer, they invite you to come and learn about the history of this majestic animal on a walking guided tour of the farm and facilities. Try some venison. The tour and samples are free. 536-3880, admin@bonniebraefarms.com, www.bonniebraefarms.com.

The Children's Place Orchard Day: Apple Hill Farm, 580 Mountain Road, Concord. Late September, 11am-2pm. Outside activities, games, hayride, apple picking and much more. 224-8862, applehill@fcgnetworks.net, www.applehillfarmnh.com.

Lamson Farm Day: 52 Cross Road, Mont Vernon. September 24. A fun family day on the farm. Hayride, pony rides, blacksmithing, antique tractors and farm equipment. Free admission. Chicken barbeque, \$8/Adults; \$4/Children. 673-0493, ktyhwk@adelphia.net.

Shaker Woods Farm Bed & Breakfast Open House: Shaker Woods Farm, 30 Lower Smith Road, Sanbornton. November 19, 2-6pm; November 20, 11am-4pm; November 28, 11am-4pm. Open house at a farm that features a bed and breakfast, homemade goats milk soap from LaMancha dairy goats, a large vegetable garden that is open during the summer, soap making and home use cheese making classes are available on request. Nestled against the woods on a quiet road, you can take a walk or cross country ski in the pastures or relax on the inviting sun porch that looks out onto Point Comfort, the Canterbury Shaker's 1920's summer retreat. 528-1990, info@shakerwoodsfarm.com, <http://www.shakerwoodsfarm.com>.



New Hampshire Farmers' Markets offer the colorful and tasty bounty of local farms and gardens all season long. Enjoy the friendly, open air market atmosphere while shopping for fresh vegetables, fruits, flowers, locally prepared foods and specialty items. There are convenient Farmers' Market locations throughout the state. For variety, quality, value and the chance to chat with local farmers, visit a New Hampshire farmers' market this season! For information about NH farmers' markets contact the NH Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food at 271-3788 or the NH Farmers' Market Association at 528-1990. www.nhfma.org.

Amherst Farmers' Market: Amherst Village Green. June 16-October 6, Thursday, 2:30-6:30pm. Locally grown and organic produce, fruits, cut flowers, herbs, wine, seafood, dairy products, pork, tea, baked goods, preserves, soaps, potted plants, honey and other specialty items. 249-9809. grdnprty1@aol.com

Barrington Farmers' Market: Route 9 & 125, across from Calefs Country Store. May-October, Saturdays, 8:30am-12pm. Produce, flowers and eggs. 749-6944.

Bethlehem Farmers' Market: 2111 Main Street. June-Labor Day weekends, Saturdays, 9am-1pm. Produce, breads, plants, flowers, jams, baked goods, jewelry, custom picture frames, woven goods, quilts. Entertainment includes live music, barbeques, poetry reading and art displays. 869-9708. endeavor1st@aol.com.

Canaan Farmers' Market: On the Park, U.S. Route 4 & NH Route 118. June 21-August 30, 4-7pm; September, Tuesdays, 3-6pm. Regionally grown fresh produce, fruits, meats, flowers, plants, syrups, prepared foods, baked goods and fine crafts. Two "Primavera Markets" will take place on May 21 and 28, 10am-2pm; Harvest Market, October 8, 10-2pm. 523-4337. kushwood@valley.net.

Claremont Farmers' Market: Broad Street Park. June 16-October 6, Thursdays, 4-7pm. Baked goods, fresh produce, flowers, meats, fudge and local produce. 542-8687.

Colebrook Farmers' Market: 43 Colby Street, Colebrook Feeds parking lot. July-October, Saturdays, 7:30-10:30am. Vegetables, fruits, baked goods, maple products, pickles, jams, jellies and crafts. 237-4430.

Concord Farmers' Market: Capitol Street. June-October, Saturdays, 8:30am-12pm. Vegetables, fruits, herbs, bedding plants, cut flowers, herbs, pork, chicken, venison, honey, maple products, baked goods, goat cheese, soap, dairy products, books, jams, jellies, wine and much more! 796-2654. Pembrokeperennials@comcast.net.

Cornish Farmers' Market: Meetinghouse Green, Route 120, Cornish Flat. May-October, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Baked goods, produce, wood, maple syrup, beef, chicken, goat milk soaps and candles, plants, preservers, eggs and cheese. Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas markets and monthly special events. 542-6323. ARA8@earthlink.net.

Enfield Farmers' Market: Huse Park, U.S. Route 4 & Main. June 29-October 12, 3-6pm. Variety of produce, fruits, jams, jellies, baked goods, prepared foods, honey, maple products, meats: lamb, buffalo and beef, plants and quality crafts. Entertainment and special events weekly. 632-7197/4519, EVA@interdial.net.

Farmington Farmers' Market: parking lot rear of Bank of NH and library, corner of Main St. and Central St. May 7-October 15, Saturdays, 8:30am-12pm. Farm products, vegetables, fruits, jams, jellies, pottery, homemade soap, baked goods, cut flowers, annuals, perennials and crafts. 859-7861.

Hancock Farmers' Market: in the horse sheds behind the church. Mid-May-mid-October, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Vegetables, fruits, certified organic produce, pickles, honey, handicrafts, baked goods, perennials, flowers, maple syrup, soaps and preserves. Cooking and craft demonstrations; Morris dancers on opening day. 525-3788. cdaloz@worldpath.net.

Henniker Farmer's Market: Community Park, Main Street. July 6-October 12, Wednesdays, 3-6pm. Vegetables, fruits, maple syrup, honey, crafts, body products, flowers, homemade dog biscuits, eggs, pork, chicken, red worms and baked goods. Live music periodically. 428-7490. info@hennikerfarmersmarket.us, www.hennikerfarmersmarket.us.

Hillsborough Farmers' Market: Butler Park, West Main Street. July 16-September 17, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Produce, flowers, baked goods, jellies, jams and occasional crafters. 464-4640. nhherm@tds.net.

Jackson Area Market: Jackson Village. Summer, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Vegetables, fruits, arts and crafts. Zucchini Festival at the end of August. 356-6406.

Jaffrey Farmers' Market: Monadnock Plaza, Route 202. July-September, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Produce, flowers, baked goods, jellies, jams and maple syrup. 532-6561.

Keene Farmers' Market: commercial parking lot off Gilbo Ave. May-October, Tuesdays and Saturdays, 9am-2pm. Fruits, vegetables, herbs, plants, flowers, maple syrup, honey, baked goods, crafts, jams, jellies, eggs and soap. 835-6210.

Laconia Farmers' Market: Beacon Street East, upper parking lot, next to City Hall. June 25-October 1, Saturdays, 8:30am-12pm. Vegetables, fruits, baked goods, jams, jellies, flowers, crafts, maple syrup, honey, goat cheese and milk and eggs. 267-6522.

Lancaster Farmers' Market: Centennial Park. June-October, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Certified organic produce, fresh local produce, goat cheese, eggs, baked goods, pestos, jams, jellies, cut flowers, plants, maple syrup, free range chickens, honey, fruits, berries and cider. 586-9832. lancasterfarmers@aol.com, www.NorthernNHFarmersMarket.com.

Lebanon Farmers' Market: Colburn Park, downtown Lebanon. June-September, Thursdays, 4-7pm. Locally and organically grown produce, breads, baked goods, dairy, poultry and meat products, eggs, cheese, prepared foods, crafts, woolens, soaps and jewelry. Live music at every market. 802-649-2724.

Littleton Farmers' Market: Cottage Street, Senior Center parking lot. June 19-October 9, Sundays, 10am-1pm. Fresh local produce, meat, eggs, poultry, maple products, preserves, baked goods, perennials, cut flowers, honey, crafts and wood products. Entertainment and demonstrations throughout season. 444-7777/0248. info@littletonmainstreet.org, www.littletonmainstreet.org.

Lower Cohase Farmers' Market: Route 302, Woodsville. June 15-October 12, Wednesdays, 11am-2pm. Produce, eggs, baked goods and crafts. 838-6425.

Manchester Downtown Farmers' Market: Victory Park, Concord Street and Pine Street. June-October, Thursdays, 3-6:30pm. Vegetables, herbs, flowers, maple syrup, honey, eggs, venison, baked goods, small fruits, apples, berries, certified organic vendors, wine, soaps, goat products. Local entertainment, children's events, cooking demonstrations, gift raffles and food sampling. 679-8101. charliereid@ttlc.net.

Meredith Village Farmers' Market: Community Park, Main Street. July 21, August 4, 18, September 1, 15, Thursdays, 3:30-6:30pm. Fresh produce, organic vegetables, goat milk soaps, honey, cut flowers, potted plants, local meat and baked goods. 279-9015. jlf@worldpath.net.

Milford Farmers' Market: Bank of NH, lower lot, South Street. Late-June-early-October, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Locally grown fruits, vegetables, flowers, herbs, plants, baked goods, jams, jellies and maple syrup. Grand Opening-July 10; Celebrate National Farmers' Market Week-August 13; 3rd Annual Apple Pie Contest-September 10; Pumpkin Festival Weekend-October 8. 673-5792. mosseyapples@aol.com.

Farmers' Market Association of Nashua: St. Louis de Gonzague Church, 48 West Hollis Street. June 28-October 4, Tuesdays, 2-6pm. Fresh vegetables, fruits, herbs, jams, jellies, maple syrup and fresh baked breads. 878-4570.

New Durham Farmers' Market: Depot Road, at the Post Office parking lot under the Pines. May 6-October 14, Fridays, 3-7pm. Farm products, vegetables, fruits, berries, homemade soap, pottery, baked goods, cut flowers, annuals, perennials and crafts. 859-7861.

Newport Farmers' Market: on the common, North Main Street. June 10-October 7, Fridays, 3-6pm. Fruits, vegetables, plants, flowers, breads, pastries, cookies, candies, cheese, milk, soaps, meats, eggs, preserves, wool products, assorted food concessions. 863-4847. newportfarmersmarket@adelphia.net.

North Conway Farmers' Market: Gibson Center for Senior Services, North Conway. July-September, Tuesdays, TBA. Vegetables, fruits, arts and crafts. 356-6406.

Nottingham Farmers' Market: Blaisdell Memorial Library parking lot, 129 Stage Road, Route 152. Mid July-mid September, Sundays, 1-4pm. Fresh local produce and plants. 679-8484.

Peterborough Farmers' Market: Unitarian Church, Main Street, May-October, Wednesdays, 3-6pm; plus first Friday of month during June-September. Starter plants, vegetables, herbs, flowers, perennials, cut flowers, hanging baskets, fruits, eggs, pickles, preserves, honey, maple syrup, NH wine, soups, breads, baked goods, goat cheese, granola, herbal products, soap, candles, pottery, hypertufa pots and jewelry. Also kids activities, music and demonstrations. 547-2108. greenfieldgardens@attg.net.

Plymouth Farmers' Market: Church of the Holy Spirit Community Life Center, Highland Street. July 14-September 29, Thursdays, 3-6pm. Corn, tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, beans, peas, lettuce, beets, melons, cut flowers, meats, eggs and baked goods. 536-3823.

Rochester Downtown Farmers' Market: Church of the Redeemer parking lot, 57 Wakefield Street. May-October, Thursdays and Fridays, 3-6pm. Farm products, vegetables, fruits, jams, jellies, pottery, homemade soap, baked goods, cut flowers, annuals, perennials and crafts. 859-7861.

Sanbornton Farmers' Market: Sanbornton Historical Society's Lane Tavern in Sanbornton Square, Route 132. June 24-September 30, Fridays, 3-6pm. Agricultural crafts, baked goods, dairy, free range poultry and meat products, eggs, fiber goods and crafts, flowers, fresh fruits, berries, herbs, honey, jams, jellies, potted plants, processed foods, seeds, syrup, vegetables, wood crafts and products. Local entertainment and fresh produce cooking demonstrations. 528-1990. sfm@shakerwoodsfarm.com, <http://sanbornton.org/ORGS/sfm/>.

Sandwich Farmers' Market: Samuel H. Wentworth Library, under the Pines. mid June-October 1, Saturdays, 9am-1pm. Certified organic produce, maple syrup, maple products, seedlings, fresh herbs, plants, cut flowers and baked goods. Wednesday market during "Sandwich Old Home Week." 284-7163.

Seacoast Farmers' Markets: Featuring locally grown products, certified organic products, prepared foods, baked goods, arts and crafts. 778-6003 (in season hotline).

Dover: Henry Law Park, June-October, Wednesdays, 2:15-5:30pm.

Durham: Pettee Brook Lane parking lot, June-October, Mondays, 2:15-5:30pm.

Exeter: Swasey Parkway, June-October, Thursdays, 2:15-5:30pm.

Hampton: Sacred Heart School parking lot, Lafayette Road, June-October, Tuesdays, 3-6pm.

Kingston: The Plains, Main Street, June-October, Tuesdays, 2:15-5:30pm.

Portsmouth: City Hall parking lot, Junkins Avenue, May-November, Saturdays, 8am-1pm.

Stratham: Stratham Hill Park, June-October, Wednesdays, 2:15-5:30pm.

Sunrise Farmers' Market: Dustin Park, Main Street, Pittsfield. Mid June-mid October, Thursdays, 3-5:30pm. Local farm fresh vegetables, fruits in season, baked goods, bread, jams, jellies, soaps, cut flowers, bedding plants, annuals, perennials, herbs and specialty products. 435-7260. brenda@organic-growers.com, www.organic-growers.com.

Tilton Farmers' Market: East Main Street across from Police Department. June-October, Wednesdays, 3-6pm. Farm produce, honey, garlic, baked goods, jams, jellies, preserves and maple products. 286-8668, info@tiltonmainstreet.org.

Wakefield Farmers' Market: corner of Route 16 and Wakefield Road, opposite Palmers Motel. May 28-October, Saturdays, 9am-3pm. Local vegetables, fruits in season, baked goods, fudge, plants, pottery, wood, fiber, art and more. Demonstrations 10-11am. 473-8762, www.wakefieldmarketplace.homestead.com.

Warner Farmers' Market: Town Hall lawn. July-October, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Vegetables, produce, crafts, maple syrup, jellies, flowers and baked goods. Warner Fall Foliage Festival in October. 456-3404.

Weare Farmers' Market: Town Gazebo. July-October, Fridays, 3:30-6:30pm. Fruits, seasonal vegetables, baked goods, organic produce, maple syrup, honey, jams, jellies, pickles, fresh seafood and sushi, eggs, fresh beef, veal and chicken,

handmade iron products and plants. Raffles, music, special events and local artist demonstrations. 529-1482, wearefarmersmarket@hotmail.com.

Wilmot Farmers' Market: Wilmot Town Green, near bandstand. July 9-October 1, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Vegetables, baked goods, meats, maple syrup, plants, honey, jams, jellies, cut flowers, herbal soaps, crafts and wool products. Local entertainment. 526-4802, TownofWilmot@adelphia.net.

Wilton Downtown Marketplace: Main Street. June 24-September 30, Fridays, 3:30-6:30pm. Produce, wool and gift products. 654-5362, kgrybko@aol.com, WMSA@tellink.net, www.mainstreet.wilton.nh.us.

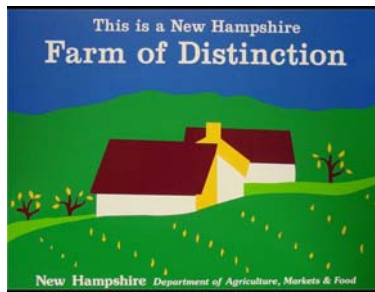
Wolfeboro Area Farmers' Market: 35 Center Street across from DeVlyder's Market. June 23-September 29, Thursdays, 1-5pm. Organic vegetables, goat milk products, jams, jellies, baked goods, cut flowers, herbs, eggs, honey, syrup and local poultry. Educational events and demonstrations. 323-3369, telemark@ncia.net

NH Farmers' Market Week:

Various locations throughout the state, August 7-13. Many of New Hampshire's farmers' markets will feature cooking, fresh produce preparation demonstrations, cultural, musical events for adults and children, special offers on certain produce items. Most markets will feature NH agricultural-based products grown and/or made locally by the farmers' market members, meat products, eggs, fiber goods, crafts, flowers, fresh fruits, berries, herbs, honey, jams, jellies, potted plants, processed foods, seeds, syrup, vegetables, wood crafts, products, small livestock and fowl.

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Farms of Distinction

Among New Hampshire's prettiest farms by region are:

Great North Woods Region

Clear Stream Farm, Errol
Graymist Farm, Groveton
Indian Stream Farm, Pittsburg
Maple Hill Farm, Monroe
Weir Tree Farms, Colebrook

White Mountains Region

Allard Farm, Conway
Glen Farm, Piermont
Hatchland Farm, Haverhill
Minot Farm, Woodsville
Mount Cube Farm, Orford
Sherman Farm, Center Conway
The Rocks Christmas Tree Farm/
Society for the Protection of NH Forests, Bethlehem
West View Farm & Orchard, North Haverhill

Lakes Region

Ancestral Acres, New Hampton
Beans & Greens Farm, Gilford
Butternut Farm, Farmington
Cornerstone Equestrian Center, Belmont
Longview Farm, Plymouth
Moulton Farm, Meredith
Punch Brook Farm, Franklin

Shaker Woods Farm, Sanbornton
Spider Web Gardens, Center Tuftonboro
Wayside Farm, North Sandwich

Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region

Ascutney View Farm, West Claremont
Bartlett's Blueberry Farm, Newport
Bickford Homestead Farm, Orford
Edgewater Farm, Plainfield
McNamara Dairy/Mac's Happy Acres, Plainfield
Nunsuch Farm, Bradford
Riverview Farm, Plainfield
Sanctuary, Sunapee
Schroeder Farm, South Newbury
Springledge Farm, New London
Tadmor Farm, Lebanon
Taylor Farm/Taylor Bros. Sugarhouse, Meriden
Tullando Farm, Orford
Walhowdon Farm, Lebanon

Monadnock Region

Bascom Maple Farms, Alstead
Boggy Meadow Farm, Walpole
Clark's Sugarhouse, Langdon
Davis Brook Farm, Hancock
Eccardt Farm, East Washington
Elsesser Blueberry Acres, Alstead
High Hopes Orchards, Westmoreland
Homestead Farms, Walpole
Malnati Farm, Walpole
Maple Homestead Farm, Marlborough
New Fields Farm, Temple
Pitcher Mountain Farm, Stoddard
Rosaly's Garden, Peterborough
Wellscroft Farm, Harrisville
Windyhurst Farm, Westmoreland

Merrimack Valley Region

Apple Hill Farm, Concord
Beech Hill Farm, Hopkinton
Brookdale Fruit Farms, Hollis
Carter Hill Orchard, Concord
D.S. Cole Growers, Loudon
Gould Hill Orchards, Contoocook
Highway View Farm, Boscawen
J & F Farms, Derry
Jones Farm, Chichester
Moose Hill Orchards, Londonderry
Morrill Farm, Penacook
Nesenkeag Co-op Farm, Litchfield
S.A. & A.S. Bartlett, Concord
Sunnycrest Farm Inc., Londonderry
Van Berkum Nurseries, Deerfield
Wilson Farm, Litchfield
Windswept Maples, Loudon

Seacoast Region

Apple Annie, Brentwood
Berry Hill Farm, Stratham
Blueberry Bay Farm, Stratham
Cobbler Hill Farm, Rye

Emery Farm, Durham
Goudreault Farm, Plaistow
Indian Hill Farm & Greenhouse, South Hampton
Jewell Towne Vineyard, South Hampton
Mountain Star Farm, Rye
Saltbox Farm, Stratham
Scenic Nursery, Raymond
Shaw's Hill Farm, Kensington



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